



MSO San Francisco Bay Sea Marshals

The U.S. Coast Guard has been performing the mission of Homeland Security since its inception more than 200 years ago. Since 1790, we have adapted our operations to meet the needs of our great nation. After the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, we have once again made changes, refocused our efforts, and developed new tools and policies to protect the American people. These efforts led to the creation of our nation's first ever Sea Marshal Program.

The Sea Marshals deploy armed boarding teams by air and sea to board commercial vessels transiting in, out and within the San Francisco Bay area. The Sea Marshals conduct vessel security screening, vessel security sweeps and escorts of vessels throughout the bays and coastal waters of Northern California.

MISSION STATEMENT

**To Deter, Detect, and Defend against acts of terrorism
targeted towards persons or property of the United States**



A sign of security; MSO Sea Marshals protect the San Francisco Bay as ships enter and depart the Bay



MSO Sea Marshals aboard a containership prepare to enter underneath the Golden Gate Bridge.



U.S. Coast Guard boarding team races to inspect a containership outside of San Francisco Bay



MSO Sea Marshals are lowered onto a bulk freighter from an AIRSTA San Francisco HH-65 Dolphin

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